

The decision by Sinclair Broadcasting, days before the election, to have all their stations air the distorted propaganda piece about Senator Kerry's actions 30 years ago is clearly an abuse of the public airwaves. It is particularly blatant given Sinclair's earlier decision not to air the Nightline episode in which Mr. Koppel read the names of our military who had been killed in Iraq. They viewed this simple act as being a protest by Nightline against the Iraqi action.

Media ownership should not be solely in the hands of a few corporations as this may ultimately result in citizens hearing and seeing only the views of these corporations and their executives.

Thank you for listening.